

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, a certificate of the election of Senator Hale, of New Hampshire, for six years from March 4, 1859, was presented.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, announcing that a resolution had passed that body for prolonging the session to 12 o'clock.

The House subsequently returned the resolution respecting the final adjournment, amended so as to fix the time at 6 o'clock; in which the Senate concurred.

Mr. Brown moved to amend, by prolonging the session until 12 o'clock to-day; agreed to.

A number of unimportant reports were received from committees; after which, the Senate went into executive session.

In the House of Representatives, a message was received from the President, informing the House that he had approved and signed sundry appropriation bills, including those for the ocean mail service.

On motion of Mr. J. Glancy Jones, it was resolved, that the Senate, that the session be extended to 12 o'clock.

On motion of the same gentleman, the vote by which the Post Office Appropriation bill was tabled, was reconsidered, and a third committee of conference was appointed on the disagreeing amendments.

The House amended the Senate's amendment for an extension of the session, by substituting 6 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. John Cochrane, all bills and resolutions committed to the several standing committees during this session, and on which no reports have been made, stand recommitted at the next session of Congress.

Mr. Stanton asked leave to introduce a bill to repeal the second section of the Post Route bill, which is as follows: "That the Postmaster General be authorized to make such arrangements for the transportation of the mail through mails between Portland and New Orleans as will insure the most speedy and certain connection, including in the route for one of the daily mails, as many of the seaboard commercial cities as may be consistent with the greatest dispatch."

Mr. English said he was astonished that this section was supposed to have reference to the ocean service, when it related to the land service entirely.

The question was taken on suspending the rules; and it was decided in the affirmative.

The report of the committee of conference on the Post Office Appropriation bill was concurred in.

COMMERCIAL.

PRICES OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA.

FROM CASE, VESSELS, AND WAGONS, (YESTERDAY.)

Flour, Super. \$4 37 1/2 0 00

Do Extra. 5 25 0 50

Do Family. 6 20 0 70

Wheat, white. 1 00 0 10

Do red. 0 90 0 00

Corn, (mixed). 0 62 0 00

Corn, (yellow). 0 64 0 00

Corn Meal, 1/2 bushel. 0 62 0 00

OATS. 0 36 0 00

RYE. 0 65 0 00

CLOVER SEED, (retail). 5 12 0 25

THIMBLE SEED. 2 75 0 00

Flaxseed. 1 10 0 00

SEED, (per hundred). 1 00 0 12 1/2

POAT (per bushel, retail). 4 50 0 00

Do ground. 7 00 0 00

GUANO. 53 00 55 00

SALT, fine. 1 35 0 40

Do Ground Alum. 0 85 0 00

BUTTER, roll, 1/2 lb. 0 20 0 00

Do firkin. 0 50 0 10

Bacon, hog round. 7 00 0 75

LARD (in kegs). 0 11 0 13 1/2

WHITE BEANS. 1 00 0 00

BLACK-EYED PEAS. 1 00 0 00

HAY, (100 lbs.). 0 62 0 05

The offerings of flour on Clance yesterday, were good, but there were few buyers and the market closed dull. Quotations nominal. The offerings of wheat were light, and the quality inferior. Sales of some lots poor white at 87c; do red, 80c. No sales of good, and quotations nominal. The market closed firm at 91c, by measure, 62c/62c, by weight, 61c, 65c, for yellow. Offerings of Rye light, small sales at 65c. No sales of oats reported.

THE MARKETS.

BALTIMORE, June 14.—Flour is dull and unchanged; Howard Street and Ohio \$4.37 1/2, City Mills \$4. Wheat is quiet and buoyant; fair to good red at 100c/105c; fair to prime white at 101c/105c. Corn is very steady; white 60c/60c, yellow 58c/60c. Provisions are dull, and closed nominal. Whiskey is steady, at 24c/25c.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Flour is firm; sales of 10,000 bbls; St. Louis \$3.90; Ohio \$4.50; do \$4.60; an advance of 5c on both—Southern \$4.50; \$4.70. Wheat closed dull at the above advance; sales small; Western red 100c/102c; white 100c/105c; Chicago Spring \$1.67c/107c. Corn is steady; sales unimportant mixed 65c/70c; yellow 70c/77c. Beef is steady at \$13.50 for country mess. Lard is heavy at 10c/11c. Whiskey is steady at 22c. Stocks are active and higher. Mo. 6 3/8 5/8.

The New York Post of Saturday evening says: "The foreign exchange market closed dull, but not lower. Bankers were not disposed to press the market. We hear of considerable shipments of specie to the South this week. One bank sent about \$250,000. The bank statement making up this afternoon will, it is expected, show a falling off in the reserve of coin."

The Commercial says it will also show some decrease in the discount line, and adds:

"The money market is quite inactive, and continues to grow in ease. The supply presses upon the market, and while the market rate on demand on prime securities is about 4 per cent, considerable sums are placed at a lower rate. Mercantile paper is scarce and inquired for at 4 to 5 per cent for strictly first class; while names not so well known go at 6 to 7 per cent."

By the screw steamer Nova Scotia, arrived off Cape Race, we have four days later intelligence from England. The telegraphic dispatch furnishes little information as to commercial affairs. Consols on the 1st inst closed in the London market as before, at 97 1/2 for money, and 97 3/4 for the account. The sales of cotton at Liverpool, were small, but prices were firm.

The Star of the West arrived at New York on Saturday morning, bringing \$1,446,170 in specie, from California. The mining news is very favorable, and the new discoveries on Frazer's river (in British territory) had already attracted some 2,000 persons from California. Some of the dust had been received and was very like the early placer diggings of California.

NOTICE.—A regular monthly meeting of the members of the Young Men's Christian Association, will be held on (this) Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock. JOHN McKENZIE, Recording Secretary.

CARRIAGE FOR SALE.

Wishing to purchase a double seated ROCKAWAY, at a low price and upon favorable terms, can do so by calling upon me at my stable, on Washington street, Alexandria, Va. J. 15-6031 ALEXANDER ARNOLD.

LOST.—Yesterday morning, between the residence of Mr. G. D. Wolfe at Bethesda, Va. and Arnold's Mill, a GOLD WATCH CHAIN, with locket, in the shape of a heart, attached to a ribbon, was lost. A reward will be paid on its delivery at this Office. J. 12-31

By Yesterday Evening's Mail.

Freshet in Fauquier.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette

WARRENTON, Va., June 14.—The hard rains of Saturday and Sunday night, have caused a tremendous freshet upon all the streams in this County. Whole fields of wheat, which on Friday gave promise of an abundant yield, have been deluged and entirely destroyed. Never before, within the recollection of the "oldest inhabitant," have the water courses been as high. Hinson's mill, on the Rappahannock, has been swept away. The bridge across the Rappahannock river, at Waterloo, has been destroyed.

In the lower part of the county, the damage to the crops has been severe. The newly-planted corn has been washed out of the ground, and bottom lands generally inundated, raising all vegetation. Yours &c., G. C.

THE CROSS AND THE WEATHER.

We had the best of opportunities for viewing the growing crops in the South side counties between Richmond and Lynchburg. The wheat generally is thin and the heads small, particularly on unimproved lands, which, however, is no new thing, but where the crops are well cultivated the crop is an average one, though the season has been too wet and cold to have given it a fair chance. It will be ready to cut, if the weather continues as warm, as it now is, in a week or ten days. Some of the fields on the Appomattox look very well. The corn crop generally is doing very well, though that, like the season, is behind the time. The tobacco has been in some time, and the plant in some fields is nearly six inches high. Laborers are every where busy in the tobacco fields early and late, with the cultivator and the hoe, weeding and nursing. Our planters anticipate a good crop. Fruit will be plentiful but not abundant. In sheltered localities apples and peaches fair.—Rich. Eng.

SENTENCE OF BAYLIS.—Capt. W. B. Baylis, convicted of slave stealing, was brought into court on Saturday morning and sentenced by Judge Nash to the term of imprisonment, (40 years) ascertained by the jury in the five indictments, which were found against him. The Judge proceeded the sentence with a few remarks in allusion to the crime, which the prisoner had been convicted. It was one against which the State has passed the most stringent laws. He had received a fair and impartial trial, and his punishment it was hoped would serve as a warning to all others who might be disposed to commit similar violations of the law. The prisoner looked composed, but had nothing to say in reply to the sentence.—Petersburg Dem.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The State Sunday School Convention, which has been in session in Richmond, adjourned on Saturday night. A protracted discussion took place on the expediency of holding a Convention in 1859, the present one having failed to excite any interest in the public mind. The subject was finally referred to a committee, who will call a Convention if they deem it proper.

On Saturday morning a great number of Sunday School children assembled on Broad street, near the City Hall for the purpose of forming a procession, but a heavy shower of rain caused an abandonment of the demonstration. The schools were addressed in the First Baptist and First Presbyterian Churches, by several eloquent gentlemen, and the music learned for the occasion was sung by the scholars.

TRIAL FOR MURDER.—The trial of Rev. Daniel Downey, for the murder of Wm. Mullins, is progressing in Staunton, Va. A letter from there, written on Saturday, says that Margaret Lee, the girl who was the indirect cause of the affair, gives evidence which proves the killing to have been unintentional. The writer expresses the opinion that the prisoner cannot be convicted of murder.—Col. Baldwin for the defence, spoke on Saturday evening. The trial will not terminate to-day or to-morrow.—Rich. Dis.

HENCE JURIES.—The two juries in the case of Simpkins, mate of the "Keziah," charged with kidnapping, were unable to agree, and on Saturday last were discharged. The case stands over until the next Court.—Petersburg Int.

A sale of slaves took place at Cassville, Ga., on the 26th ult., at which a man 24 years old, brought \$1,404; a boy of 12 years, \$1,000, and a girl of 13 years \$1,101. The sale included a large lot, and the prices all approximated those named.

DIED.

On Sunday, the 13th inst., at the residence of her son-in-law, A. C. N. Smith, near the Theological Seminary, ANN D. MACRAE, aged 64 years. Her friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend her funeral, at the Chapel of the Theological Seminary, this day, 15th inst., at 3 o'clock, P. M.

In this city, on Sunday last, FRANCES ANN, wife of James Hepburn, in the 41st year of her age. Her funeral will take place this afternoon from the residence of her husband, on the bridge between Water and Union streets, to which the friends of the family are invited.

ALMANAC.

1858. SUN'S RISE, SETS, MOON'S PHASES.

15 Tuesday. 4 42 17 D. H. 3 M.

16 Wednesday. 4 47 18 First q. 18 3 A. M.

17 Thursday. 4 47 18 Full. 19 30 3 M.

18 Friday. 4 47 18 Last q. 4 1 33 M.

19 Saturday. 4 47 18 New. 19 4 14 E.

20 Sunday. 4 47 18 HIGH WATER.

21 Monday. 4 47 18 JUNE 15 196. 7m

LATEST DATES.

London. June 2. New York. June 2.

Liverpool. June 2. Baltimore. June 2.

MARINE LIST.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA.—JUNE 14

ARRIVED.

Ship Ellen Hood, Kilby, Chincila Islands, gunboat to Fowle & Co. reports that on the 11th, at about 4 o'clock in the morning she ran into a brig—name unknown, and towed her on board, carrying away the brig's gibboom, fore-top-gallant-mast, and probably a hole in her bow. The ship had her gibboom carried away and was otherwise injured.

Steamer Columbus, Harper, Baltimore, to Wheat & Bro.

MEMORANDA.

Schrs. Tantamoun, Davis, Palestine, Cambridge, for this port, and J. W. Collier, from Georgetown arrived at New York 12th inst.

Schr. Wm. W. Marcy, Burke, from Georgetown, for Boston, was at Holmes Hole 10th inst.

Schr. Eldad, Davis, hence at Albany 6th inst.

Schr. Bellow, Vigneres, from Richmond, arrived at Halifax 2d inst.

Schrs. R. & F. Travers, from Georgetown, arrived at Philadelphia 11th inst., and Ann. Pickrell, Duques, for this port, cleared at 12th inst.

OKAL.—110 tons West "Lehigh," broken and Egg size WHITE ASH COAL, a superior article, for sale at very low prices, if taken from vessel. WHEAT & BRO. J. 15

FOR HIRE.—A smart active BOY, about 13 years of age—accustomed to house, as well as farm or garden work—a home in the country preferred. Apply immediately at the Gazette Office. J. 15-30

TOILET ARTICLES, PERFUMERIES, Hair Oils, Powders, &c., in great variety, at J. 15

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LOCAL ITEMS.

MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE ALEXANDRIA CANAL COMPANY.

The adjourned general meeting of the Alexandria Canal Company, was held at the Council Chamber, in this city, yesterday, Benjamin Barton in the Chair, and Wm. C. Yeaton, Secretary.

A very large amount of stock (6,222 shares, out of 6,800) was held by the persons present.

On motion of J. H. Reid, a committee was appointed by the Chair, (consisting of J. H. Reid, L. McKenzie, and R. Johnston,) to examine and report upon such proxies as might be presented; who reported a number of proxies as being regular and sufficient; which report was adopted.

The annual report of the Board of Directors was received, read, and approved; and with the accompanying papers, ordered to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the stockholders.

OFFICE ALEXANDRIA CANAL CO., June 1, 1858.

The Board of Directors of the Alexandria Canal Company, present their report for the year ending 31st of May last.

They feel called upon, in the first place, to express their sense of the great loss which the Company has sustained in the death of their late President, Joseph Eades, esq., in January last. The ability and zeal for the interests of the Company, which he, at all times, manifested, are worthy of grateful remembrance and commendation.

During the year ending 31st of April last, the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal was navigable about three months only. The effect of this upon the business of our Canal is shown by the fact that the quantity of coal received at our wharves during that year was only 97,115 tons, against 162,929 tons during the year preceding, and by a corresponding diminution in other articles.

The tolls on coal and boats for the year were \$2,641.03, and on all other articles \$440.11, making \$3,081.14; while for the preceding year the tolls were, upon coal and boats \$4,000.50, and on other articles \$843.38, or a total of \$4,843.88.

The entire receipts from all sources during the year were:

From tolls, as above stated. \$3,081.14

From loans (including \$14,434.38 from the loan of \$2450 from the city, for repairing the Aqueduct and the lock gates). 1054.38

From interest on \$1000 Corporation of Alexandria stock, and premium. 60.60

From rents of coal wharf lots. 1000.00

From wharfage on coal. 65.97

From tolls at Georgetown Ferry. 6555.00

Balance in hand, April 30, 1857. 627.36

Requisitions outstanding. 108.62

7691.07

The expenditures during the same time were as follows:

Loans repaid. 512.50

Incidental Expenses. 104.53

Interest, including \$900 on bond for \$15,000 guaranteed by State of Virginia. 1064.82

Officers' salaries. 729.17

Repairs and superintendence. 4200.00

Sinking fund. 7166.17

Balance in hand May 1, 1858. 524.90

7691.07

Of this balance, \$422.50 belongs to the sinking fund, and will be carried to the credit of that account. The amount of this fund at year's end, including that sum, \$5132.30, invested in Corporation of Alexandria Stock, and in a mortgage upon a very valuable water lot adjoining the wharves of the Cumberland Coal and Iron Company. The income and expenditure of the fund during the year were:

Cash on hand April 30, 1857. 427.20

Pledged tolls since received. 412.50

Interest on stock and premium. 60.60

Wharfage on coal. 1000.00

Interest on \$4700 for one year. 282.00

1822.30

Paid one year's interest on bond of \$15,000. 900.00

Carried to credit of fund on books. 500.00 1400.00

Due the fund May 1, 1858. 422.50

The Board have to report that the bridges over the Canal are failing. The one at Poor House Lane has fallen, but will shortly be rebuilt; and those upon the lands of Messrs. Danglefield and Addison, will soon require repair.

This report contains, also, matters in relation to the Aqueduct, which calls for the most serious attention of the Stockholders.

The prospects of trade upon the Canal for the present year are not bright, and the report of the leading article of coal, the transportation of which has begun with much spirit. The recent breach in dam No. 4 of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal will not, it is believed, cause an interruption of more than a month. The Board, however, in view of the serious and frequent casualties, which that work is subject to, prefer to indulge in further predictions as to the trade of our Canal, which is entirely dependent upon it.

Our claim upon the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company for water power remains in the same condition as at the date of the report. It now appears that a certain class of water power (which agreement it forthwith after securing all its benefits, proceeded to render useless by every means in its power) all its water power was pledged to the State of Maryland by a worthless mortgage, of which fact nothing was known to us at the time of making that agreement, and not one word was mentioned in the report of the Directors of the two companies, which resulted in it. The Board Companies, which resulted in it. The Board Companies, which resulted in it. The Board Companies, which resulted in it.

Company in this matter. A full history of the case, and statement of our rights, are contained in a lengthened report upon the subject, to the Board of Public Works, which will be found in their report to the Legislature for the year 1856. This report has produced no action on the part of that Board, and it is believed that, under existing laws, they are powerless in the premises. It is recommended that the subject be brought to the attention of the Governor, and through him to the notice of the General Assembly. It is hoped that they will be able to devise some means of redress for the grievous injustice which the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company (of which the State of Maryland is the owner) has suffered in having its water rights taken from it in regard to these water rights. The State of Virginia being a Stockholder in this Company to the amount of \$274,000, and being also, through her General Assembly, the guardian of the interests of the city of Alexandria, so deeply involved in the success of our Canal, it is believed that the appeal suggested will not be unavailable.

Annexed are statements of the trade of the last year, and of the general account of the Company. The reports of the Examining Committee are also, referred to.

By order of the Board of Directors

GEO. H. SMOOT, Chairman.

To the President and Directors of the Alexandria Canal Company.

GENTLEMEN.—I take pleasure in reporting the Canal to be in as good navigable order as at any past period.

No settlement has taken place in the embankment at the four mile run for the past two or three years, and I think no further serious difficulty there, need be apprehended.

Four spans of the Aqueduct were repaired on the tow-path side during the past winter, as well as country or garden work—a home in the country preferred. Apply immediately at the Gazette Office. J. 15-30

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period may therefore come in a very few years, when the cost of repair will be so great as to render necessary the abandonment of the present superstructure for a new one.

The timbers on the bridges over the Canal are becoming very much decayed. The one at the Poor House Lane has given way, and new timbers are now being laid for its reconstruction. The same bridge for Mr. Henry Danglefield's accommodation, is about to fall, and has been ordered to be taken down. Repairs are being made upon the others from time to time as required.

The new lock gates ordered the past winter are finished, and now being adjusted to their places, which, when done, will place the locks in good condition. S. H. WILLIAMS, Engineer.

Alexandria, June 12th, 1858.

The report of the Examining Committee, appointed by the last annual meeting, was received, read, and approved; and it was, thereupon,

Resolved, That the President and Directors having made their report, and rendered an account of their proceedings for the past year, and the same having been read, and found fairly and justly stated, the stockholders now present do grant a certificate thereof, and order a duplicate hereof to be entered on the Company's books.

On motion of Mr. Reid,

Resolved, That the Board of Directors do report, in detail, upon the condition of the Potomac Aqueduct, with such plans for repairing or rebuilding the superstructure, and for providing funds therefor, as they may deem best; and that they be directed to render said report to a meeting of the stockholders, to be held on the second Monday in August next.

A stock vote was called upon the above resolution, which resulted in ayes 368, nays 292, (the vote of the City Council of Alexandria being equally divided, and not counted.)

On motion of Mr. Reid,

Ordered, That notice of the annual meetings of the Company be published tri-weekly, in at least one of the newspapers of this city, for thirty days previous to the meetings.

Benjamin Barton, Robert H. Miller, Wm. C. Yeaton, Edward S. Hough and Benjamin Hollowell, were appointed a Committee to whom the President and Directors shall, fifteen days before the next annual meeting, submit a general statement of their accounts for the then preceding year, which the said committee shall examine and report upon, as well as upon the matters mentioned in the resolution of the general meeting of the 6th of May, 1850.

Ordered, That the salary of the President be continued at \$500 per annum.

The meeting then proceeded to ballot for a President of the Company for the ensuing year, when Reuben Johnston was duly elected.

The vote stood, R. Johnston 606; George H. Smoot 293.

James Green, Henry Danglefield, Cassius F. Lee, Wm. N. McVeigh, John J. Wheat, and John West, were duly elected Directors for the ensuing year.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

Resolved, That the President call the attention of the Governor to the claim of this Company upon the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company for water power, and request him to take such measures in this case as he may deem proper.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the Council Chamber, on the second Monday, (the 9th) of August next, at 11 o'clock A. M.

SCHOONER SUNK—ONE MAN DROWNED.